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EMBASSY OFFICERS HAD CONSIDERABLE CONTACT WITH AMBASSADOR SHANNON DURING HIS RELATIVELY BRIEF TENURE (ABOUT ONE YEAR) IN SEOUL. WE FOUND HIM FORTHRIGHT AND GENERALLY FRIENDLY, ALTHOUGH STRONGLY COMPETITIVE BY NATURE AND JOB, AND AT TIMES HIS FORTHRIGHTNESS SPILLED OVER INTO A SOMEWHAT ABRASIVE MANNER. HIS POSITION HERE PUT HIM AT SOMETHING OF A DISADVANTAGE, GIVEN THE EXCEPTIONALLY STRONG POSITION THE U.S. HOLDS IN THE KOREAN MARKET, ESPECIALLY IN SECTORS (GRAINS, NUCLEAR POWER EQUIPMENT) WHERE CANADA HAS BEEN SEEKING TO COMPETE WITH US. ACCORDINGLY WE BELIEVE HE FOUND HIS TOUR HERE SOMEWHAT FRUSTRATING. HIS ASSIGNMENT TO WASHINGTON, WE UNDERSTAND, CONSTITUTES A PROMOTION FOR HIM AND HE WAS GLAD TO RECEIVE IT FOR THAT REASON AS WELL AS THE RELIEF IT OFFERED FROM A RELATIVELY NO-WIN SITUATION.
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